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SUBJECT: ENEMY- FRIENDLY CONTACTS ALONG NORTHERN MRI FRONT LINES

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C O N F I D E N T I A L DANANG 0767

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SUBJ: ENEMY- FRIENDLY CONTACTS ALONG NORTHERN MR I FRONT LINES

1. THE I CORPS FORWARD G-2, LTC NGUYEN VAN DAN, BELIEVES THE ENEMY PLANS NO SIGNIFICANT MILITARY MOVES NORTH OF THE HAI VAN IN THE COMING MONTHS BUT INSTEAD WILL CONCENTRATE ON POLITICAL COMPETITION AND PROPAGANDA EFFORTS AIMED AT FRIENDLY TROOPS ACROSS THE IRREGULAR FRONT LINE WHICH NOW EXISTS IN THE NORTH AND ALONG THE WESTERN FLANK.

2. DAN TOLD THE HUE POLOFF THAT IN THE LOCATIONS WHERE OPPOSING FORCES ARE LESS THAN 100 METERS APART, THE VC ARE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE PROXIMITY BY USING LOUDSPEAKERS OR TRYING TO ENGAGE RVN SOLDIERS IN CONVERSATIONS ABOUT FAMILIES THEY MAY HAVE IN PRG-CONTROLLED AREAS.

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3. AIRBORNE TROOPS, ACCORDING TO DAN, ARE PARTICULARLY UNRECEPTIVE TO ANY " FRIENDLY" DISCUSSIONS OR TO SUGGESTIONS FOR ANY SORT OF ACCOMMODATIONS. THE AIRBORNE HAS SERVED NOTICE THAT THE VC WILL NO LONGER BE PERMITTED TO FETCH WATER FROM THE HO RPT HO RIVER NEAR CO BI HAMLET AS WAS ALLOWED BY THE 1 ST DIV BEFORE THE AIRBORNE MOVED INTO THE AREA. THE AIRBORNE HOPES THAT WITHOUT EASY ACCESS TO WATER OR FOOD THE VC WILL BE INDUCED TO DRAW BACK FROM THE AREA, BUT DAN SAID THERE ARE NO PLANS TO ROUT OUT THE VC IF THEY DO NOT WITHDRAW WILLINGLY. THOMSEN UNQUOTE  
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